FISCAL NOTE

SB 3067 - HB 3393

March 20, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Modifies TennCare estate recovery law which requires the personal representatives of an estate to notify the Bureau of TennCare of the death, determine if the decedent was a recipient of reimbursed long term care services, notify the courts of decedent's TennCare status and submit a notice to creditors to the Bureau.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$52,200 Recurring \$4,700 One-Time

Other Fiscal Impact – Increase Federal Expenditures - \$52,200 Recurring \$4,700 One-Time

Assumptions:

- The TennCare Third Party Recovery office would have an increased workload. The Bureau will need three Administrative Services Assistant (ASA1) positions due to the increase in phone calls, inquiries about open cases and additional involvement in settling estates.
- Salary and benefits for three ASA 1 positions totals \$101,098. Recurring expenditures for office supplies (\$500) and telephone/LAN (\$2,800) totals \$3,300. One-time expenditures for landscaping (\$5,400) and computer/software (\$4,000) totals \$9,400.
- The Bureau of TennCare will receive a 50% match rate with federal funds for administrative costs.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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James W. White, Executive Director